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LAST OF 3 DEFENDANTS SENTENCED FOR SEXUAL ABUSE OF SAN CARLOS GIRL

PHOENIX, ARIZONA -- José de Jesus Rivera, United States Attorney for the District of Arizona, announced today that the last of three defendants pleaded guilty, and was sentenced, for his involvement in the sexual abuse of a 16-year-old San Carlos girl on December 29, 1998.

On December 29, 1998, on the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation, the defendants were in a group, that included the sixteen year old victim, and were consuming alcohol. Due to her alcohol consumption, the victim became unconscious, at which time, all three defendants had sexual intercourse with her.

The three defendants subsequently pleaded guilty and were sentenced as follows:

On March 10, 2000, **RAPHAEL HENRY** (age 22) was sentenced to 70 months imprisonment and 3 years supervised release for Sexual Abuse. On November 1, 1999, **JOHN DOE 1** (15 years old at the time of the crime) was sentenced to 52 months imprisonment for Sexual Abuse. On March 6, 2000, **JOHN DOE 2** (17 years old at the time of the crime) was sentenced to 31 months imprisonment for Sexual Abuse.

The investigation in this case was conducted by Louis Moran from the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the San Carlos Tribal Police. The prosecution was handled by Sharon K. Smith, Assistant United States Attorney, District of Arizona, Phoenix, Arizona.

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